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VILLAGE ENERGY SECURITY
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Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has mooted any plan to start a co-operative movement in villages/Taluka for collection of Biomass and involve them as stake holders in the production and distribution of power from biomass so as to create an energy security at the village level; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY (SHRI VILAS MUTTEMWAR)

(a)&(b): No such plan to start a co-operative movement has been mooted. However, Test Projects on Village Energy Security are being implemented for meeting the total energy requirements of cooking, lighting and motive power through use of locally available biomass resources. The village community, including women, is involved in the planning and implementation of these projects through a duly constituted Village Energy Committee. The Committee is responsible for ensuring supply of biomass material, operation of the energy production units and overall management of the projects. 79 test projects are at present under implementation in 11 States.